



Friday
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Weekly Views

Former NFL player Danny Wuerffel visited the Indianapolis Re-Entry Educational Facility. He delivered an inspirational message of encouragement and spoke to residents about the importance of fatherhood and their responsibilities as fathers, leaders, and mentors in urban communities.

Sullivan County residents Jacquie Mize and Diana Daugherty are entering a quilt made by offenders from the Wabash Valley Correctional Facility PLUS Unit in the 2010 Indiana State Fair. The quilt is in line with the theme of this year's fair "Year of the Pigs," saluting the Swine Industry of Indiana. After the fair quilt competition, the "Piggy" quilt will be donated to an area charity for fund raising purposes.

The Pendleton Correctional Facility will be conducting a picnic and hog roast for employees and their families on Saturday, July 24th at the facility's Employee Recreation Area.

Congratulations Marjorie Wagner from Branchville Correctional Facility for successfully completing an intensive two-year training program to become a Certified Manager in Program Improvement. This certification is the first of its kind in the adult education and literacy field and signifies her as a member of an elite group of professional managers.



Westville Correctional Facility's eyeglass program, in partnership with the local Lions Club, has recycled 5,500,000 pairs of glasses since the program came to WCC in 1994. The Lion's hosted a picnic barbeque honoring staff and offenders involved in this world wide, monumental effort. The Lion's Sight First initiative delivers the recycled eyeglasses to third world countries.

The Indiana Women's Prison held a Teen Day and Summer Camp for children ages 4-12. Approximately 100 children spent the day with their mothers participating in activities including making pizza, water balloon races, and piñatas.



Branchville Correctional Facility's Plus Unit has donated close to 4,000 pounds of garden produce to non for profits so far this year, with the hopes to give away 10,000 pounds.

The Reception-Diagnostic Center recently conducted a summer fundraiser by selling pies, appetizers and other foods. \$254.82 was raised for a winter holiday party.

Three local media outlets attended Wabash Valley's Community Advisory Board meeting hosted by Acting Wabash Valley Superintendent Dick Brown. Attendees

learned about Touch DNA, the need for volunteers, why offenders donate money to worthy local causes, and how education programs saves taxpayers money and reduces recidivism.

The Division of Program Review conducted the second annual internal ACA audit at the Indiana State Prison. The facility received a score of 100% of the mandatory standards and a score of 99.34% of the non-mandatory standards.

Re-Entry level students from South Bend Juvenile assisted in set-up activities for the College Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival.

The Plainfield Correctional Facility hosted a Community Advisory Board Meeting in conjunction with RDC and STOP staff. Board members were informed on recent events taking place in each facility as well as the Department as a whole.

The Logansport Juvenile Correctional Facility held a CLIFF graduation for 8 students who completed the program. Of the 8 that graduated, 5 earned their GED and 3 are awaiting results. To date there have been 230 students graduate from the CLIFF program.

Pendleton Correctional Facility hosted a Community Advisory Board Meeting. Pendleton's Assistant Superintendent of Operations Bruce Helming and Assistant Superintendent of Re-Entry John George both attended.